



# Abide in the Wind

Episode 5 • Capital Holland Festival



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Black Eye

ONE MANGA!

The substance that the  
Rochambe began to manufacture  
twelve years ago.

...just improves a  
Contractor's skills.

...After much research, I've  
concluded that life comes  
from Inagi blood.

I haven't heard about any  
Inagi being captured by humans,

but it could have  
happened while I didn't  
have my gear on them.

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For Episkia to  
contact me now...

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LONG MANGA!

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I wonder if  
it's because this  
was harvested  
recently...

It's very fresh.

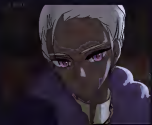
It seems to please  
your interest.

Shall I give  
it to you?



You said you'd  
show me where  
it's created.

That's more  
than enough.



Instead, I should  
say I'm the one  
who's tense

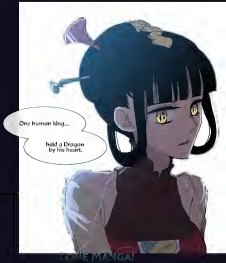
I didn't think  
you'd be so  
eager to accept  
my offer

I'll be able to  
manage something  
if I'm by myself

ONE MARCH

A long  
time ago

before the birth  
of any man existing  
in the present—





...A dragon...?

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It's an old tale.

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Please,  
just listen.

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LONE MANGA!

A woman with long, dark, wavy hair is shown from the chest up. She is wearing a white, flowing dress. She holds a glowing yellow orb in her right hand, which is positioned near her chest. The background is a soft, out-of-focus landscape with greenery and a body of water.

Dragons are  
pure beings of  
consciousness.

Their flesh holds  
absolute power, but their  
minds are very susceptible  
to corruption.

Thus, they must be  
"purified" from the  
one who holds their  
Dragon Pearl.

The king, who was  
unaware of this,

was the beginning  
of a tragedy.

Honestly though,  
there were those in the  
neighboring country  
who knew this.

but they didn't tell the  
king, for they wanted  
to weaken him.

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They were wise.

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As time  
passed, the corrupted  
Dragon's mind began  
to affect the Dragon  
Lord.

When it started to  
eat away at the king's  
mind and body

his advisors  
began to worry  
about him...

as their loyalty was  
based on the king's ability  
to control the Dragon's  
power.

In addition, they  
had something  
to gain, as well.

They thought  
that if they could find  
a replacement for the  
corrupted Dragon King,  
their problems would  
be solved.

so they began  
to look for another  
Dragon

However, Dragons  
are very precious  
beings. Their chances  
of success was close  
to none.

Then they  
thought, "Why don't  
we just create one  
instead?"

A dark, atmospheric scene. In the foreground, there is a large, dark, textured object that looks like a piece of fabric or a large rock, possibly a tombstone or a piece of debris. In the background, there is a bright, glowing light source, possibly a fire or a light, creating a strong contrast with the dark surroundings. The overall mood is mysterious and somber.

And so the  
tests began.

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## GENE MUTA

Humans, Aliens,  
Mirage Beasts, Wild Beasts,  
amphibians...

We performed  
tests on every species,  
every race...

using the kingdom's  
available technology.

Despite all  
that, they failed.

The testing laboratory eventually shut down.

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「Black Eye」 is—

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a by-product  
resulting from the tests,  
or so I hear—

It just makes  
human organs feel a  
sense of ecstasy.

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LONE MANG

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Every time I  
see this, I am reminded  
of the greedy humans  
who tried to possess the  
Dragon's powers.



I believe there's  
no end to them.



LONE MANCA

Thank you for  
telling such an  
interesting story.

While the part  
regarding Dragons  
sounded more like  
a fairy tale.

It's well suited  
for that drug.

I am flattered by  
your compliment.



CREAK!

Oh! We're here.

An industrial warehouse? We're outside the city.

It's a bit dark out, so please watch your steps.

I can use my Dragon Artifact here.

The Black Egg production facility.

There's definitely a link between that drug and the bridge.

Let's go.



I don't know what  
you're planning,

but if Morpheus  
is involved,



I'll make sure you'll regret letting me here.

ONE MURDER



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